

14. "This Council recommends to the Government that all unpassed English knowing hands now in service be exempted from the operations of Standing Order No. 1 with a view to give them the benefit of the recent reorganisation of pay and enable them to draw Rs. 25—40 per mensem.

15. Cottage Industries.

Mr E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Sir, I move that "This Council recommends to the Government to organise such cottage industries as are suitable to the various localities throughout the State with a view to provide a leisure time occupation to the people and to increase their earning capacity" Sir, Cochin is an agricultural country. About 70 or 75 per cent of the population according to the recent census are dependent on agriculture and these agriculturists have practically nothing to do for four or five months in the year, for want of a suitable cottage industry. Every country, every responsible country encourages some cottage industry or other. We too have cottage industries in several places. I don't think it is necessary on my part to impress upon you the necessity of having a suitable subsidiary cottage industry. Due to lack of organisation and indifference, our people are not taking to any such industries. In the southern parts many of them make coir. Even that has proved unremunerative in these days of depression. It will be the duty of the State to organise such cottage industries as are suitable to the various localities and make them earn a little more. I am sure that if every family has one cottage industry to occupy them during the off-season, they will be able to materially increase their average income. Otherwise what happens in these days is that during the time when they have no work they migrate to the towns. They do not get any work there and go back. They waste a lot of time and it will be a sort of conserving national wealth or organising national wealth, if the Government take it upon their shoulders to organise it on a large scale. I do not think a big speech is necessary to commend this resolution to you. I therefore request that the House will be pleased to pass this resolution.

Deputy President.—Since nobody comes to second this resolution it is lost.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—I second it.

Deputy President.—No. I was waiting.

Resolution lost for want of a seconder.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan being absent the following resolution standing in his name was considered withdrawn.

16. This Council recommends to the Government that Examiners in Criminal Courts be given the same scale of pay as Examiners in Civil Courts."

17. Appointment to M. L. C s.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—"This Council recommends to the Government not to give any appointment to the Members